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S.B. No. 984

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT

1
2 relating to the suspension of certain local laws and property
3 regulations by the governor during a declared state of disaster.

4 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF TEXAS:

5 SECTION 1. Section 418.016, Government Code, is amended by
6 adding Subsection (a-1) to read as follows:

7 (a-1) Notwithstanding any other law, on declaration of a
8 state of disaster, the governor by executive order may suspend an
9 order or regulation issued by a county, municipality, or other
10 political subdivision of this state or by a property owners'
11 association as necessary to allow for the removal of debris and the
12 placement of temporary housing within the disaster area. The order
13 must specify a limited, defined time for the suspension.

14 SECTION 2. This Act takes effect immediately if it receives
15 a vote of two-thirds of all the members elected to each house, as
16 provided by Section 39, Article III, Texas Constitution. If this
17 Act does not receive the vote necessary for immediate effect, this
18 Act takes effect September 1, 2019.